

ROBIN HOOD's Progress to Nottingham,

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To the Tune of, *ROBIN HOOD*, &c.

Licensed and Entered according to Order.



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derry, derry, down,
And fifteen Winters old,
And Robin Hood he was a proper young Man,
Of Courage stout and bold :
hey down, derry, derry down.

Robin Hood he would unto fair Nottingham,
derry, &c.
With the General for to dine ;
There was he aWare of fifteen Forresters,
And a drinking beer, ale, and wine :
hey down, &c.

What news, what news ? said Bold Robin Hood,
derry, &c.
What news fain wouldst thou know ?
Our King hath provided a Shooting match,
And I'm ready with my Bow :
hey down, &c.

We hold it in scorn, said the fifteen Forresters,
derry, &c.
That ever a Boy so young,
Should bear a Bow before our King,
That's not able to draw one String :
hey down, &c.

I'll hold you twenty Marks, said Bold R. Hood,
derry, &c.
By the leave of our Lady,
That I'll hit the Mark an hundred Rod,
And I'll cause one Hart to dye :
hey down, &c.

We'll hold you twenty Marks, then said the
derry, &c. Forresters,
By the leave of our Lady,
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Nor causest one Hart to dye :
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Robin Hood he bent his noble Bow,
derry, &c.
And a broad Arrow he let flye,
He hit the Mark an hundred Rod,
And he caused one Hart to dye :
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The Hart did skip, and the Hart did leap,
derry, derry, down,
And the Hart lay on the ground,
The Wager is mine, said Bold Robin Hood,
If it were for a thousand Pound :
hey down, derry, derry, down.

You said I was no Archer, said Robin Hood,
derry, &c.
But say so now again ;
With that he sent another Arrow,
Which split his head in twain :
hey down, &c.

The Wager's none of thine, then said the For-
resters,
derry, &c.
Although thou be'st in haste ;
Take up thy Bow and get thee hence,
Least we thy sides do baste :
hey down, &c.

You have found me an Archer, said Robin Hood,
derry, &c.
Which will make your Wives to wying,
And with that you ne'r had spoke the word,
That I could not draw one String :
hey down, &c.

Robin Hood he took up his noble Bow,
derry, &c.
And his broad Arrows all amain,
And Robin he laugh'd, and began to smile,
As he went over the Plain :
hey down, &c.

The People that lived in fair Nottingham,
derry, &c.
Came running out amain,
Supposing to have taken Bold Robin Hood,
With the Forresters that where slain :
hey down, &c.

Then Robin Hood he bent up his noble Bow,
derry, &c.
And his broad Arrows he let flye,
Till fourteen of these fifteen Forresters,
Upon the ground did lye :
hey down, &c.

Some lost legs, and some lost armes,
derry, &c.
And some did lose their blood ;
But Robin Hood he took up his noble Bow,
And is gone to the merry green Wood :
hey down, &c.

He that this Quarrel first began,
derry, &c.
Went tripping over the Plain,
But Robin Hood he bent his noble Bow,
And he fetch'd him back again :
hey down, &c.

They carry'd these Forresters to fair Notting-
derry, derry, down,
As many there did know,
They dig'd them Graves in their Church-yards,
And they buried them all on a row :
hey down, derry, derry down.